## **FINDINGS**

- A. The proposed Parcel Map, and its design, is consistent with the General Plan and applicable Specific Plan in that the proposed single family lot exceeds a minimum size of 6,500 square feet. The development of the lots will comply with applicable development standards such as setbacks, height restrictions, density, etc.
- B. The design of the subdivision and proposed improvements are not likely to cause environmental damage or substantially and avoidably injure fish, or wildlife, since the project is primarily surrounded by development, or other urban improvements, and mitigation is required by the previous Environmental Impact Report and Mitigated Negative Declaration.
- C. Subdivision improvements have been installed as required by the underlying subdivision map. Therefore, no public health and safety problems are anticipated by this Map request.
- D. The design of the proposed Map will not conflict with easements acquired by the public at large, for access through, or use of, property within the proposed Map because Tiburon Drive, a private roadway, was conveyed during recordation of the original map. Easements for on-site utilities are shown on this Map and comply with Specific Plan and Subdivision Ordinance requirements as designed.

## **CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL**

## **GENERAL**

The subdivider agrees to defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the City of La Quinta (the "City"), its agents, officers and employees from any claim, action or proceeding to attack, set aside, void, or annul the approval of this tentative map or any final map thereunder. This indemnification shall include any award toward attorney's fees. The City shall have sole discretion in selecting its defense counsel. The City shall promptly notify the subdivider of any claim, action or proceeding and shall cooperate fully in the defense.

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- 2. The final map shall comply with the requirements and standards of §§ 66410 through 66499.58 of the California Government Code (the Subdivision Map Act) and Chapter 13 of the La Quinta Municipal Code (LQMC). This Amending Map approval shall expire and become null and void on October 1, 2003, unless an extension of time is granted pursuant to City requirements.
- 3. Prior to the issuance of a grading, construction or building permit, the applicant shall obtain permits and/or clearances from the following public agencies:
  - Fire Marshal
  - Public Works Department (Grading Permit, Improvement Permit)
  - Community Development Department
  - Riverside Co. Environmental Health Department
  - Coachella Valley Unified School District
  - Coachella Valley Water District
  - Imperial Irrigation District (IID)
  - California Water Quality Control Board (CWQCB)

The applicant is responsible for any requirements of the permits or clearances from those jurisdictions. If the requirements include approval of improvement plans, applicant shall furnish proof of said approvals prior to obtaining City approval of the plans.

The applicant shall comply with applicable provisions of the City's NPDES stormwater discharge permit. For projects requiring project-specific NPDES construction permits, the applicant shall submit a copy of the Notice of Intent received from the CWQCB prior to issuance of a grading or site construction permit. The applicant shall ensure that the required Storm Water Pollution Protection Plan is available for inspection at the project site.

4. The map shall be subject to the provisions of the Infrastructure Fee Program and Development Impact Fee program in effect at the time of issuance of final map approval.

## PROPERTY RIGHTS

5. Prior to approval of a final map, the applicant shall acquire or confer easements and other property rights required of the tentative map or otherwise necessary for construction or proper functioning of the proposed development. Conferred rights shall include irrevocable offers to dedicate or grant access easements to

the City for emergency services and for maintenance, construction, and reconstruction of essential improvements.

- 6. The applicant shall dedicate or grant public and private street right of way and utility easements in conformance with the City's General Plan, Municipal Code, applicable specific plans, and as required by the City Engineer.
- 7. The applicant shall dedicate ten-foot public utility easements contiguous with and along both sides of all private streets. The easements may be reduced to five feet with the express concurrence of IID.
- 8. The applicant shall dedicate easements necessary for placement of and access to utility lines and structures, drainage basins, mailbox clusters, park lands, and common areas.
- 9. The applicant shall furnish proof of easements or written permission, as appropriate, from owners of any abutting properties on which grading, retaining wall construction, permanent slopes, or other encroachments are to occur.
- 10. The applicant shall cause no easements to be granted or recorded over any portion of this property between the date of approval of this tentative map by the City Council and the date of recording of any final map(s) covering the same portion of the property unless such easements are approved by the City Engineer.

## FINAL MAP(S) AND PARCEL MAP(S)

11. Prior to approval of a final map, the applicant shall furnish accurate AutoCad files of the complete map, as approved by the City's map checker, on storage media acceptable to the City Engineer. The files shall utilize standard AutoCad menu items so they may be fully retrieved into a basic AutoCad program.

If the map was not produced in AutoCad or a file format which can be converted to AutoCad, the City Engineer may accept raster-image files of the map.

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## **IMPROVEMENT PLANS**

As used throughout these conditions of approval, professional titles such as "engineer," "surveyor," and "architect" refer to persons currently certified or licensed to practice their respective professions in the State of California.

12. Improvement plans shall be prepared by or under the direct supervision of qualified engineers and landscape architects, as appropriate. Plans shall be submitted on 24" x 36" media in the categories of "Rough Grading," "Precise Grading," and "Landscaping." Precise grading plans shall have signature blocks for Community Development Director and the Building Official. All other plans shall have signature blocks for the City Engineer. Plans are not approved for construction until they are signed.

"Landscaping" plans shall normally include irrigation improvements, landscape lighting and entry monuments. "Precise Grading" plans shall normally include perimeter walls.

Plans for improvements not listed above shall be in formats approved by the City Engineer.

- 13. The City may maintain standard plans, details and/or construction notes for elements of construction. For a fee established by City Resolution, the applicant may acquire standard plan and/or detail sheets from the City.
- 14. When final plans are approved by the City, the applicant shall furnish accurate AutoCad files of the complete, approved plans on storage media acceptable to the City Engineer. The files shall utilize standard AutoCad menu items so they may be fully retrieved into a basic AutoCad program. At the completion of construction and prior to final acceptance of improvements, the applicant shall update the files to reflect as-constructed conditions.

If the plans were not produced in AutoCad or a file format which can be converted to AutoCad, the City Engineer may accept raster-image files of the plans.

# IMPROVEMENT AGREEMENT

15. The applicant shall install survey monumentation, and/or satisfy obligations, or furnish an executed, secured agreement to construct improvements and/or

satisfy obligations required by the City prior to approval of a final map or parcel map or issuance of a certificate of compliance for a waived parcel map. For secured agreements, security provided, and the release thereof, shall conform with Chapter 13, LQMC.

Improvements to be made or agreed to shall include removal of any existing structures or obstructions which are not part of the proposed improvements.

16. If monumentation installation is secured, the applicant shall provide estimates of monumentation installation costs for checking and approval by the City Engineer.

Estimates for improvements under the jurisdiction of other agencies shall be approved by those agencies. Security is not required for telephone, gas, or T.V. cable improvements. However, development-wide improvements shall not be agendized for final acceptance until the City receives confirmation from the telephone authority that the applicant has met all requirements for telephone service to lots within the development.

17. If the applicant fails to construct improvements or satisfy obligations in a timely manner or as specified in an approved phasing plan or in an improvement agreement, the City shall have the right to halt issuance of building permits or final building inspections, withhold other approvals related to the development of the project or call upon the surety to complete the improvements.

#### GRADING

- 18. This development shall comply with Chapter 8.11 of the LQMC (Flood Hazard Regulations). If any portion of any proposed building lot in the development is or may be located within a flood hazard area as identified on the City's Flood Insurance Rate Maps, the development shall be graded to ensure that all floors and exterior fill (at the foundation) are above the level of the project (100-year) flood and building pads are compacted to 95% Proctor Density as required in Title 44 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Section 65.5(a) (6). Prior to issuance of building permits for lots which are so located, the applicant shall furnish certifications as required by FEMA that the above conditions have been met.
- 19. Prior to issuance of a grading permit, the applicant shall furnish a preliminary geotechnical ("soils") report and an approved grading plan prepared by a

qualified engineer. The grading plan shall conform with the recommendations of the soils report and be certified as adequate by a soils engineer or engineering geologist.

A statement shall appear on the final map that a soils report has been prepared pursuant to Section 17953 of the Health and Safety Code.

- 20. Slopes shall not exceed 5:1 within public rights of way and 3:1 in landscape areas outside the right of way unless otherwise approved by the City Engineer.
- 21. The applicant shall endeavor to minimize differences in elevation at abutting properties within this development. Building pad elevations on contiguous lots shall not differ by more than three feet except for lots within a tract or parcel map, but not sharing common street frontage, where the differential shall not exceed five feet.

The limits given in this condition and the previous condition are not entitlements and more restrictive limits may be imposed in the map approval or plan checking process. If compliance with the limits is impractical, however, the City will consider alternatives which minimize safety concerns, maintenance difficulties and neighboring-owner dissatisfaction with the grade differential.

- 22. Prior to occupation of the project site for construction purposes, the applicant shall submit and receive approval of a Fugitive Dust Control Plan prepared in accordance with Chapter 6.16, LQMC. The applicant shall furnish security, in a form acceptable to the City, in an amount sufficient to guarantee compliance with the provisions of the permit.
- 23. The applicant shall maintain graded, undeveloped land to prevent wind and water erosion of soils. The land shall be planted with interim landscaping or provided with other erosion control measures approved by the Community Development and Public Works Departments.
- 24. Prior to issuance of building permits, the applicant shall provide building pad certifications stamped and signed by qualified engineers or surveyors. For each pad, the certification shall list the approved elevation, the actual elevation, the difference between the two, if any, and pad compaction. The data shall be organized by lot number and listed cumulatively if submitted at different times.

## DRAINAGE

25. The applicant shall comply with the provisions of Engineering Bulletin No. 97.03 and the following:

Stormwater handling shall conform with the approved hydrology and drainage plan for the Norman Course. Nuisance water shall be disposed of in an approved method.

## **UTILITIES**

- 26. The applicant shall obtain the approval of the City Engineer for the location of all utility lines within the right of way and all above-ground utility structures including, but not limited to, traffic signal cabinets, electrical vaults, water valves, and telephone stands, to ensure optimum placement for practical and aesthetic purposes.
- 27. Utilities shall be installed prior to overlying hardscape. For installation of utilities in existing, improved streets, the applicant shall comply with trench restoration requirements maintained or required by the City Engineer. The applicant shall provide certified reports of trench compaction for approval of the City Engineer.

## QUALITY ASSURANCE

- 28. The applicant shall employ construction quality-assurance measures which meet the approval of the City Engineer.
- 29. The applicant shall employ or retain qualified civil engineers, geotechnical engineers, surveyors, or other appropriate professionals to provide sufficient construction supervision to be able to furnish and sign accurate record drawings.
- 30. The applicant shall arrange and bear the cost of measurement, sampling and testing procedures not included in the City's inspection program but required by the City as evidence that construction materials and methods comply with plans, specifications and applicable regulations.
- 31. Upon completion of construction, the applicant shall furnish the City reproducible record drawings of all improvement plans which were signed by the City. Each sheet shall be clearly marked "Record Drawings," "As-Built" or "As-

Constructed" and shall be stamped and signed by the engineer or surveyor certifying to the accuracy of the drawings. The applicant shall revise the CAD or raster-image files previously submitted to the City to reflect as-constructed conditions.

## FEES AND DEPOSITS

32. The applicant shall pay the City's established fees for plan checking and construction inspection. Fee amounts shall be those in effect when the applicant makes application for plan checking and permits.